

Extension of the Barut-Girardello Coherent State and Path Integral

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Abstract

We extend the Barut-Girardello coherent state for the representation of $SU(1,1)$ to the coherent state for a representation of $U(N,1)$ and construct the measure. We also construct a path integral formula for some Hamiltonian.

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1 Introduction

Harmonic oscillator is a fundamental physical system and one of the few which is solved exactly. So it has been well studied not only for the system itself but also for application to other physical systems. The coherent state is defined as the eigenstate of the annihilation operator [1]. It is a useful tool for study of the harmonic oscillator. The properties of the coherent state are also well studied.

Extension of the coherent state to various systems has been made. As for $SU(1,1)$ group, the Perelomov's generalized coherent state is well-known [2]. The treatment is very easy. Extension of the generalized coherent state to a representation of $U(N,1)$ has been made [3]. Making use of the coherent state, we have shown the WKB-exactness [4, 3], which means that the WKB approximation gives the exact result. Also we have extended the periodic coherent state [5, 6] to the “multi-periodic coherent state” of a representation of $U(N,1)$ and have shown the WKB-exactness [7, 8].

There is another coherent state of $SU(1,1)$ which is known as the Barut-Girardello (BG) coherent state [9]. The BG coherent state is defined as the eigenstate of the lowering operator. The BG coherent state has a characteristic feature. The eigenvalue K of the Casimir operator is valid for $K > 0$ [10], in spite of the range of the representation of $SU(1,1)$ is $K \geq 1/2$ [11].

Extension of the BG coherent state has been made to some groups [12]. In this paper we extend the BG coherent state to a representation of $U(N,1)$ to examine the WKB-exactness and et al.

The contents of this paper are as follows. In Section 2 we compare the coherent states of the harmonic oscillator, the Perelomov's coherent state and the BG coherent state. We extend the BG coherent state and construct the measure in Section 3. In Section 4 we construct a path integral formula in terms of the coherent state constructed in Section 3. The last section is devoted to the discussions.

2 Coherent States

The coherent state of the harmonic oscillator is defined as the eigenstate of the annihilation operator such that

$$a|z\rangle = z|z\rangle , \quad (z \in \mathbf{C}) , \quad (2.1)$$

where $a(a^\dagger)$ is the annihilation (creation) operator. Alternative expression of the coherent state is

$$|z\rangle = e^{za^\dagger}|0\rangle. \quad (2.2)$$

In the harmonic oscillator, both are equivalent. The explicit form is

$$|z\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{\sqrt{n!}}|n\rangle , \quad (2.3)$$

in the standard notation. The conditions of the “coherent state” in the Klauder’s sense [13] are as follows:

1. continuity: the vector $|l\rangle$ is a strongly continuous function of the label l ,
2. completeness (resolution of unity):

$$I = \int |l\rangle\langle l|dl . \quad (2.4)$$

Now consider the extension to the representation of $SU(1,1)$. $su(1,1)$ algebra is

$$\begin{aligned} [K_3, K_\pm] &= \pm K_\pm , \quad [K_-, K_+] = 2K_3 , \\ K_\pm &= \pm(K_1 \pm iK_2) , \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

and the representation is

$$\{|K, m\rangle | m = 0, 1, 2, \dots\} , \quad K \geq \frac{1}{2} , \quad (2K \text{ is an eigenvalue of the Casimir operator}) , \quad (2.6)$$

which satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} K_3|K, m\rangle &= (K + m)|K, m\rangle , \\ K_+|K, m\rangle &= \sqrt{(m+1)(2K+m)}|K, m+1\rangle , \\ K_-|K, m\rangle &= \sqrt{m(2K+m-1)}|K, m-1\rangle . \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

The extension of (2.2) is known as the Perelomov's "generalized coherent state", whose form is

$$|\xi\rangle \equiv e^{\xi K_+} |K, 0\rangle = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \xi^m \binom{2K+m-1}{m}^{1/2} |K, m\rangle, \quad \xi \in D(1, 1), \quad (2.8)$$

where

$$D(1, 1) = \{\xi \in \mathbf{C} \mid |\xi| < 1\}. \quad (2.9)$$

The inner product is

$$\langle \xi | \xi' \rangle = \frac{1}{(1 - \xi^* \xi')^{2K}}, \quad (2.10)$$

and the resolution of unity is

$$\frac{2K-1}{\pi} \int_{D(1,1)} \frac{d\xi^* d\xi}{(1 - |\xi|^2)^{-2K+2}} |\xi\rangle \langle \xi| = 1_K, \quad (2.11)$$

where

$$d\xi^* d\xi \equiv d(\text{Re}\xi) d(\text{Im}\xi). \quad (2.12)$$

On the other hand, the extension of (2.1) is known as the Barut-Girardello coherent state which satisfies

$$K_- |z\rangle = z |z\rangle. \quad (2.13)$$

The explicit form (apart from the normalization factor) is

$$|z\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{\sqrt{n!(2K)_n}} |K, n\rangle, \quad z \in \mathbf{C}, \quad (2.14)$$

where

$$(a)_n \equiv a \cdot (a+1) \cdots (a+n-1). \quad (2.15)$$

The inner product is

$$\langle z | z' \rangle = \Gamma(2K) (z^* z')^{-K+\frac{1}{2}} I_{2K-1} \left(2\sqrt{z^* z'} \right), \quad (2.16)$$

where $\Gamma(p)$ is the Gamma function:

$$\Gamma(p) = \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-t} t^{p-1}, \quad (2.17)$$

and $I_\nu(z)$ is the first kind modified Bessel function:

$$I_\nu(z) = \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^\nu \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z/2)^{2n}}{n! \Gamma(\nu + n + 1)} . \quad (2.18)$$

The resolution of unity is

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\mu(z, z^*) |z\rangle \langle z| &= 1_K , \\ d\mu(z, z^*) &= \frac{2K_{2K-1}(2|z|)}{\pi \Gamma(2K)} |z|^{2K-1} dz^* dz . \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

In contrast with the coherent state of the harmonic oscillator, (2.8) and (2.14) are not equivalent. Especially it is remarkable that (2.19) holds for $K > 0$, while (2.11) holds for $K \geq 1/2$.

3 Extension of Barut-Girardello Coherent State

In this section we construct the BG type coherent state for some $U(N, 1)$ representation and its measure.

$u(N, 1)$ algebra is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} [E_{\alpha\beta}, E_{\gamma\delta}] &= \eta_{\beta\gamma} E_{\alpha\delta} - \eta_{\delta\alpha} E_{\gamma\beta} , \\ \eta_{\alpha\beta} &= \text{diag}(1, \dots, 1, -1) , \quad (\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta = 1, \dots, N+1) , \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

with a subsidiary condition

$$- \sum_{\alpha=1}^N E_{\alpha\alpha} + E_{N+1, N+1} = K , \quad (K = N, N+1, \dots) . \quad (3.2)$$

We identify these generators with creation and annihilation operators of harmonic oscillators:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\alpha\beta} &= a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta , & E_{\alpha, N+1} &= a_\alpha^\dagger a_{N+1}^\dagger , \\ E_{N+1, \alpha} &= a_{N+1} a_\alpha , & E_{N+1, N+1} &= a_{N+1}^\dagger a_{N+1} + 1 , \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

where a, a^\dagger satisfy

$$[a_\alpha, a_\beta^\dagger] = 1 , \quad [a_\alpha, a_\beta] = [a_\alpha^\dagger, a_\beta^\dagger] = 0 , \quad (\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, \dots, N+1) . \quad (3.4)$$

The Fock space is

$$\begin{aligned} & \{|n_1, \dots, n_{N+1}\rangle | n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N+1} = 0, 1, 2, \dots\} , \\ |n_1, \dots, n_{N+1}\rangle & \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_1! \dots n_{N+1}!}} (a_1^\dagger)^{n_1} \dots (a_{N+1}^\dagger)^{n_{N+1}} |0, 0, \dots, 0\rangle , \\ a_\alpha |0, 0, \dots, 0\rangle & = 0 , \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

On the representation space it is

$$1_K \equiv \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} |n_1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha\rangle \langle n_1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha| , \quad (3.6)$$

where an abbreviation

$$\sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \equiv \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n_2=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_N=0}^{\infty} , \quad (3.7)$$

has been used.

We put the form of the coherent state as

$$|\mathbf{z}\rangle \equiv \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} C_{n_1 \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) z_1^{n_1} \dots z_N^{n_N} |n_1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha\rangle , \quad (3.8)$$

to determine the coefficients $C_{n_1 \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z})$'s so as to satisfy the condition:

$$E_{N+1, \alpha} |\mathbf{z}\rangle = z_\alpha |\mathbf{z}\rangle , \quad (\alpha = 1, \dots, N) . \quad (3.9)$$

By noting

$$\begin{aligned} a_\alpha |n_1, \dots, n_\alpha, \dots, n_{N+1}\rangle & = \sqrt{n_\alpha} |n_1, \dots, n_\alpha - 1, \dots, n_{N+1}\rangle , \\ & (\alpha = 1, \dots, N+1) , \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

the explicit form of the left-hand side of (3.9) is

$$\begin{aligned} E_{N+1, \alpha} |\mathbf{z}\rangle & = \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_\alpha=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{n_N=0}^{\infty} C_{n_1 \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) z_1^{n_1} \dots z_\alpha^{n_\alpha} \dots z_N^{n_N} \\ & \quad \times \sqrt{n_\alpha} \sqrt{K-1 + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta} |n_1, \dots, n_\alpha - 1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta - 1\rangle \\ & = z_\alpha \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} C_{n_1 \dots (n_\alpha+1) \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) \sqrt{n_\alpha+1} \sqrt{K + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta} \\ & \quad \times z_1^{n_1} \dots z_\alpha^{n_\alpha} \dots z_N^{n_N} |n_1, \dots, n_\alpha, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta\rangle , \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

where a shift $n_\alpha \rightarrow n_\alpha - 1$ has been made in the second equality. Thus (3.9) leads to a recursion relation:

$$C_{n_1 \dots (n_\alpha+1) \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) \sqrt{n_\alpha + 1} \sqrt{K + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta} = C_{n_1 \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) . \quad (3.12)$$

This is easily solved to become

$$C_{n_1 \dots n_\alpha \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) = \sqrt{\frac{(K + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta - n_\alpha - 1)!}{n_\alpha! (K + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta - 1)!}} C_{n_1 \dots 0 \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) . \quad (3.13)$$

Application of (3.13) to all α 's ($\alpha = 1, \dots, N$) leads to

$$C_{n_1 \dots n_N}(\mathbf{z}) = \sqrt{\frac{(K-1)!}{n_1! \dots n_N! (K + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta - 1)!}} C_{0 \dots 0}(\mathbf{z}) . \quad (3.14)$$

Putting (3.14) into (3.8), we obtain the form of the coherent state:

$$|\mathbf{z}\rangle = C(\mathbf{z}) \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(K-1)!}{n_1! \dots n_N! (K + \sum_{\beta=1}^N n_\beta - 1)!}} z_1^{n_1} \dots z_N^{n_N} |n_1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha\rangle , \quad (3.15)$$

where we have written $C_{0 \dots 0}(\mathbf{z})$ as $C(\mathbf{z})$. $C(\mathbf{z})$ is a normalization factor and affects no physical quantity, so hereafter we simply put $C(\mathbf{z}) = 1$. Especially, in the $N = 1$ case (with $K \rightarrow 2K$), (3.15) becomes

$$|z\rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(2K-1)!}{n! (2K+n-1)!}} z^n |K, n\rangle , \quad (3.16)$$

which coincides with (2.14), where $|n, 2K-1+n\rangle$ has been identified with $|K, n\rangle$ in the representation of $SU(1, 1)$, (2.6).

The inner product of the coherent states is

$$\langle \mathbf{z} | \mathbf{z}' \rangle = \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(K-1)!}{n_1 \dots n_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha - 1)!} (z_1^* z_1')^{n_1} \dots (z_N^* z_N')^{n_N} = F_N(K; (z_\alpha^* z_\alpha')) , \quad (3.17)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F_N(K; \mathbf{z}) &\equiv F_N(K; z_1, \dots, z_N) \\ &\equiv \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(K-1)!}{n_1! \dots n_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha - 1)!} (z_1)^{n_1} \dots (z_N)^{n_N} . \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

In the $N = 1$ case (3.18) becomes

$$F_1(2K; z) = {}_0F_1(2K; z) = \Gamma(2K) z^{-K+\frac{1}{2}} I_{2K-1}(2\sqrt{z}) , \quad (3.19)$$

where ${}_0F_1(2K; z)$ is the hypergeometric function and $I_\nu(z)$ is the first kind modified Bessel function.

Now we construct the measure so as to satisfy the resolution of unity:

$$\int d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) |\mathbf{z}\rangle \langle \mathbf{z}| = 1_K . \quad (3.20)$$

The explicit form of the left-hand side of (3.20) is

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}') |\mathbf{z}\rangle \langle \mathbf{z}| &= \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\{m\}=0}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(K-1)!}{n_1! \dots n_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha - 1)!}} \\ &\times \sqrt{\frac{(K-1)!}{m_1! \dots m_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha - 1)!}} |\{n\}\rangle \langle \{m\}| \\ &\times \int d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) z_1^{n_1} \dots z_N^{n_N} (z_1^*)^{m_1} \dots (z_N^*)^{m_N} , \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) &\equiv \sigma(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) [d\mathbf{z}^\dagger d\mathbf{z}] , \\ [d\mathbf{z}^\dagger d\mathbf{z}] &\equiv \prod_{\alpha=1}^N d(\text{Re} z) d(\text{Im} z) , \end{aligned} \quad (3.22)$$

and an abbreviation

$$|\{n\}\rangle \equiv |n_1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha\rangle , \quad (3.23)$$

has been used. We put

$$z_\alpha = \sqrt{r_\alpha} e^{i\theta_\alpha} , \quad (\alpha = 1, \dots, N) , \quad (3.24)$$

and assume that σ depends only on the radial parts:

$$\begin{aligned} d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N \sigma(r_1, \dots, r_N) dr_1 d\theta_1 \dots dr_N d\theta_N , \\ &\left(d\mathbf{z}^\dagger d\mathbf{z} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N dr_1 d\theta_1 \dots dr_N d\theta_N\right) . \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

Then (3.21) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.21) &= \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\{m\}=0}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(K-1)!}{n_1! \cdots n_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_{\alpha} - 1)!}} \\
&\quad \times \sqrt{\frac{(K-1)!}{m_1! \cdots m_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_{\alpha} - 1)!}} |\{n\}\rangle \langle \{m\}| \\
&\quad \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^N \int_0^{\infty} dr_1 \cdots \int_0^{\infty} dr_N \sigma(r_1, \dots, r_N) \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_1 \cdots \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta_N \\
&\quad \times r_1^{\frac{n_1+m_1}{2}} \cdots r_N^{\frac{n_N+m_N}{2}} e^{i(n_1-m_1)\theta_1} \cdots e^{i(n_N-m_N)\theta_N} \\
&= \pi^N \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} \frac{(K-1)!}{n_1! \cdots n_N! (K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_{\alpha} - 1)!} |\{n\}\rangle \langle \{m\}| \\
&\quad \times \int_0^{\infty} dr_1 \cdots \int_0^{\infty} dr_N \sigma(r_1, \dots, r_N) r_1^{n_1} \cdots r_N^{n_N} . \tag{3.26}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus $\sigma(r_1, \dots, r_N)$ must satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
&\pi^N \Gamma(K) \int_0^{\infty} dr_1 \cdots \int_0^{\infty} dr_N \sigma(r_1, \dots, r_N) r_1^{n_1} \cdots r_N^{n_N} \\
&= \Gamma(n_1 + 1) \cdots \Gamma(n_N + 1) \Gamma\left(K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_{\alpha}\right) . \tag{3.27}
\end{aligned}$$

After some considerations, we found the following formula.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_0^{\infty} dr_1 r_1^{s_1} \cdots \int_0^{\infty} dr_N r_N^{s_N} 2(r_1 + \cdots + r_N)^{\frac{K-N}{2}} K_{K-N}(2\sqrt{r_1 + \cdots + r_N}) \\
&= \Gamma(s_1 + 1) \cdots \Gamma(s_N + 1) \Gamma\left(K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N s_{\alpha}\right) . \tag{3.28}
\end{aligned}$$

(See appendix A for the derivation of the formula.) This is verified as follows. In the left-hand side of (3.28), we put

$$\begin{aligned}
r_1 &= \xi_1(1 - \xi_2) , \\
r_2 &= \xi_1 \xi_2(1 - \xi_3) , \\
&\vdots \\
r_{N-1} &= \xi_1 \xi_2 \cdots \xi_{N-1}(1 - \xi_N) , \\
r_N &= \xi_1 \xi_2 \cdots \xi_N , \\
&\left(\frac{\partial(r_1, \dots, r_N)}{\partial(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_N)} = \xi_1^{N-1} \xi_2^{N-2} \cdots \xi_{N-2}^2 \xi_{N-1} \right) , \tag{3.29}
\end{aligned}$$

to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{l.h.s.}) &= 2 \int_0^\infty d\xi_1 \xi_1^{N-1+s_1+\dots+s_N+\frac{K-N}{2}} K_{K-N} \left(2\sqrt{\xi_1} \right) \\
&\quad \times \int_0^1 d\xi_2 \xi_2^{N-2+s_2+\dots+s_N} (1-\xi_2)^{s_1} \int_0^\infty d\xi_3 \xi_3^{N-3+s_3+\dots+s_N} (1-\xi_3)^{s_2} \dots \\
&\quad \times \int_0^1 d\xi_{N-1} \xi_{N-1}^{1+s_{N-1}+s_N} (1-\xi_{N-1})^{s_{N-2}} \int_0^1 d\xi_N (1-\xi_N)^{s_{N-1}} \xi_N^{s_N} \\
&= 2 \int_0^\infty d\xi_1 \xi_1^{\frac{K+N}{2}+s_1+\dots+s_{N-1}} K_{K-N} \left(2\sqrt{\xi_1} \right) \\
&\quad \times B(s_1+1, N-1+s_2+\dots+s_N) \dots B(s_N+1, s_{N-1}+1) , \tag{3.30}
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the integral expression of the Beta function:

$$B(p, q) = \int_0^1 dt t^{p-1} (1-t)^{q-1} . \tag{3.31}$$

By putting

$$\sqrt{\xi_1} = u , \tag{3.32}$$

the ξ_1 -integral in (3.30) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
(\text{the } \xi_1\text{-integral part}) &= \int_0^\infty du u^{K+N+2(s_1+\dots+s_N)-1} K_{K-N}(2u) \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \Gamma(K+s_1+\dots+s_N) \Gamma(N+s_1+\dots+s_N) , \tag{3.33}
\end{aligned}$$

where the formula

$$\int_0^\infty dx x^{\mu-1} K_\nu(ax) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2}{a} \right)^\mu \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu+\nu}{2} \right) \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu-\nu}{2} \right) , \quad (a > 0, \text{Re}\mu > |\text{Re}\nu|) , \tag{3.34}$$

has been used (see appendix B). By noting the relation

$$B(p, q) = \frac{\Gamma(p)\Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q)} , \tag{3.35}$$

(3.30) finally becomes

$$(3.30) = \Gamma(s_1+1) \dots \Gamma(s_N+1) \Gamma(K+s_1+\dots+s_N) , \tag{3.36}$$

which is just the right-hand side of (3.28).

Comparing (3.27) with (3.28), we find that

$$\sigma(r_1, \dots, r_N) = \frac{2}{\pi^N \Gamma(K)} (r_1 + \dots + r_N)^{\frac{K-N}{2}} K_{K-N} \left(2\sqrt{r_1 + \dots + r_N} \right) . \tag{3.37}$$

Therefore we obtain the measure:

$$d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) = \frac{2\|\mathbf{z}\|^{K-N} K_{K-N}(2\|\mathbf{z}\|)}{\pi^N \Gamma(K)} [d\mathbf{z}^\dagger d\mathbf{z}] , \quad (3.38)$$

where

$$\|\mathbf{z}\| \equiv \sqrt{\mathbf{z}^\dagger \mathbf{z}} . \quad (3.39)$$

In the $N = 1$ case, (3.38) ($K \rightarrow 2K$) is

$$d\mu(z, z^*) = \frac{2|z|^{2K-1} K_{2K-1}(2|z|)}{\pi \Gamma(2K)} [dz^* dz] , \quad (3.40)$$

which is just the measure of BG coherent state (2.19). The explicit form of (3.20) is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \frac{2\|\mathbf{z}\|^{K-N} K_{K-N}(2\|\mathbf{z}\|)}{\pi^2 \Gamma(K)} [d\mathbf{z}^\dagger d\mathbf{z}] \\ & \times \sum_{\{n\}=0}^{\infty} z_1^{n_1} \cdots z_N^{n_N} |n_1, \dots, n_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_\alpha\rangle \\ & \times \sum_{\{m\}=0}^{\infty} (z_1^*)^{m_1} \cdots (z_N^*)^{m_N} \langle m_1, \dots, m_N, K-1 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N m_\alpha | = \mathbf{1}_K . \end{aligned} \quad (3.41)$$

It is remarkable that (3.41) holds for $K > 0$.

4 Construction of Path Integral Formula

We construct a path integral formula with a Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} \equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N+1} c_\alpha E_{\alpha\alpha} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \mu_\alpha E_{\alpha\alpha} + K c_{N+1} \mathbf{1}_K , \quad (\mu_\alpha \equiv c_\alpha + c_{N+1}) . \quad (4.1)$$

We have shown the WKB-exactness of the trace formula with this Hamiltonian in terms of the “generalized coherent state” [3] and the “multi-periodic coherent state” [7]. In this section we write down the trace formula in terms of our BG coherent state.

The matrix element of the Hamiltonian is

$$\langle \mathbf{z} | \hat{H} | \mathbf{z}' \rangle = K c_{N+1} F_N(K; (z_\alpha^* z'_\alpha)) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \mu_\alpha z_\alpha^* z'_\alpha F_N(K+1; (z_\alpha^* z'_\alpha)) , \quad (4.2)$$

where $F_N(K; \mathbf{z})$ is given in (3.18).

The Feynman kernel is defined by

$$K(\mathbf{z}_F, \mathbf{z}_I; T) \equiv \langle \mathbf{z}_F | e^{-i\hat{H}T} | \mathbf{z}_I \rangle = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \langle \mathbf{z}_F | (1 - i\Delta t \hat{H})^M | \mathbf{z}_I \rangle, \quad (\Delta t \equiv T/M), \quad (4.3)$$

where $\mathbf{z}_I(\mathbf{z}_F)$ is the initial (final) state and T is time interval. The explicit form of the kernel is

$$\begin{aligned} K(\mathbf{z}_F, \mathbf{z}_I; T) &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int \prod_{i=1}^{M-1} d\mu(\mathbf{z}(i), \mathbf{z}^\dagger(i)) \prod_{j=1}^M \langle \mathbf{z}(j) | (1 - i\Delta t \hat{H}) | \mathbf{z}(j-1) \rangle \Big|_{\mathbf{z}(0)=\mathbf{z}_I}^{\mathbf{z}(M)=\mathbf{z}_F} \\ &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int \prod_{i=1}^{M-1} d\mu(\mathbf{z}(i), \mathbf{z}^\dagger(i)) \prod_{j=1}^M \left\{ F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1))) \right. \\ &\quad \times \left[1 - i\Delta t \left\{ K c_{N+1} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \mu_\alpha z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1) \frac{F_N(K+1; (z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1)))}{F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1)))} \right\} \right] \Big\} \\ &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int \prod_{i=1}^{M-1} d\mu(\mathbf{z}(i), \mathbf{z}^\dagger(i)) \prod_{j=1}^M \left\{ F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1))) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left[-i\Delta t \sum_{k=1}^M \left\{ K c_{N+1} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \mu_\alpha z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1) \frac{F_N(K+1; (z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1)))}{F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1)))} \right\} \right], \quad (4.4) \end{aligned}$$

where the resolution of unity (3.20) has been inserted in the first equality and $O((\Delta t)^2)$ terms, which finally vanish in $M \rightarrow \infty$ limit, have been omitted in the last equality.

The trace formula is defined by

$$Z \equiv \int d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) \langle \mathbf{z} | e^{-i\hat{H}T} | \mathbf{z} \rangle = \int d\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}^\dagger) K(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{z}; T). \quad (4.5)$$

The explicit form is

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int \prod_{i=1}^M d\mu(\mathbf{z}(i), \mathbf{z}^\dagger(i)) \prod_{j=1}^M \left\{ F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1))) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left[-i\Delta t \sum_{k=1}^M \left\{ K c_{N+1} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \mu_\alpha z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1) \frac{F_N(K+1; (z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1)))}{F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1)))} \right\} \right] \Big|_{\mathbf{z}(M)=\mathbf{z}(0)} \\ &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} e^{-iK c_{N+1} T} \int \prod_{i=1}^M d\mu(\mathbf{z}(i), \mathbf{z}^\dagger(i)) \prod_{j=1}^M \left\{ F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(j) z_\alpha(j-1))) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left[-i\Delta t \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{\alpha=1}^N \mu_\alpha z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1) \frac{F_N(K+1; (z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1)))}{F_N(K; (z_\alpha^*(k) z_\alpha(k-1)))} \right]. \quad (4.6) \end{aligned}$$

In the $N = 1$ case, (4.6) is

$$Z = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} e^{-ihKT} \int \prod_{i=1}^M \left(\frac{2}{\pi} K_{2K-1}(2|z(i)|) I_{2K-1} \left(2\sqrt{z^*(i)z(i-1)} \right) [dz^*(i)dz(i)] \right) \\ \times \exp \left[-ih\Delta t \sum_{k=1}^M \sqrt{z^*(k)z(k-1)} \frac{I_{2K} \left(2\sqrt{z^*(k)z(k-1)} \right)}{I_{2K-1} \left(2\sqrt{z^*(k)z(k-1)} \right)} \right], \quad (4.7)$$

where $h \equiv c_1 + c_2$.

Even in the $N = 1$ case, it seems to be complicated not only to make the WKB approximation but also to calculate exactly.

5 Discussion

We have extended the BG coherent state for the representation of $SU(1,1)$ to some representation of $U(N,1)$ and constructed the measure. The eigenvalue of the Casimir operator ($I = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N+1} E_{\alpha\alpha}$), K , can be enlarged to $K > 0$.

We have also constructed the path integral formula with the same Hamiltonian with which the WKB-exactness is examined in terms of some coherent states. However, in this case, the form of the coherent state is so complicated that the WKB approximation as well as the exact calculation seems not to be easy. Showing the WKB-exactness is now under consideration.

Appendix

A Derivation of the Formula (3.28)

The definition of the Gamma function immediately leads to the relation:

$$\int_0^\infty dr_\alpha e^{-a_\alpha r_\alpha} r_\alpha^{s_\alpha} = a_\alpha^{-(s_\alpha+1)} \Gamma(s_\alpha + 1). \quad (A.1)$$

Multiplying equations (A.1) from $\alpha = 1$ to N and putting $a_\alpha = 1/x$ for all $\alpha (= 1, \dots, N)$, we obtain

$$\int_0^\infty dr_1 r_1^{s_1} \cdots \int_0^\infty dr_N r_N^{s_N} e^{-R/x} = x^{s_1 + \dots + s_N + N} \Gamma(s_1 + 1) \cdots \Gamma(s_N + 1) , \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where

$$R \equiv r_1 + \dots + r_N . \quad (\text{A.3})$$

In both sides, by multiplying $e^{-x} x^{K-N-1}$ and by integrating over x , the right-hand side becomes

$$(\text{r.h.s.}) = \Gamma(s_1 + 1) \cdots \Gamma(s_N + 1) \Gamma\left(K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N s_\alpha\right) . \quad (\text{A.4})$$

Then the left-hand side is

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{l.h.s.}) &= \int_0^\infty dr_1 r_1^{s_1} \cdots \int_0^\infty dr_N r_N^{s_N} \int_0^\infty dx x^{K-N-1} e^{-R/x-x} \\ &= \int_0^\infty dr_1 r_1^{s_1} \cdots \int_0^\infty dr_N r_N^{s_N} R^{K-N} \int_0^\infty du u^{-K+N-1} e^{-u-R/u} , \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.5})$$

where a change of variable, $u = R/x$, has been made in the second equality. By the integral expression of the modified Bessel function:

$$K_\nu(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^\nu \int_0^\infty dt t^{-\nu-1} e^{-t-z^2/4t} , \quad (\text{A.6})$$

the u -integral is written by

$$\int_0^\infty du u^{-K+N-1} e^{-u-R/u} = 2R^{-\frac{K-N}{2}} K_{K-N}(2\sqrt{R}) . \quad (\text{A.7})$$

Thus (A.5) becomes

$$(\text{A.5}) = \int_0^\infty dr_1 r_1^{s_1} \cdots \int_0^\infty dr_N r_N^{s_N} 2R^{\frac{K-N}{2}} K_{K-N}(2\sqrt{R}) . \quad (\text{A.8})$$

Finally, by (A.4) and (A.8), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^\infty dr_1 r_1^{s_1} \cdots \int_0^\infty dr_N r_N^{s_N} 2(r_1 + \dots + r_N)^{\frac{K-N}{2}} K_{K-N}(2\sqrt{r_1 + \dots + r_N}) \\ &= \Gamma(s_1 + 1) \cdots \Gamma(s_N + 1) \Gamma\left(K + \sum_{\alpha=1}^N s_\alpha\right) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

B The Proof of the Formula (3.34)

By the integral representation of the modified Bessel function:

$$K_\nu(z) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\left(\nu - \frac{1}{2}\right)!} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^\nu \int_1^\infty dy e^{-zy} (y^2 - 1)^{\nu - \frac{1}{2}}, \text{ for } \nu > -1/2, \quad (\text{B.1})$$

the left-hand side of the formula (3.34) becomes

$$\int_0^\infty dx x^{\mu-1} K_\nu(ax) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\left(\nu - \frac{1}{2}\right)!} \int_1^\infty dy (y^2 - 1)^{\nu - \frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \int_0^\infty dx x^{\mu-1} \left(\frac{ax}{2}\right)^\nu e^{-axy} \right\}. \quad (\text{B.2})$$

Changing a variable x to t such that

$$axy = t, \quad (\text{B.3})$$

leads the x -integral to

$$\int_0^\infty dx x^{\mu-1} \left(\frac{ax}{2}\right)^\nu e^{-axy} = \frac{1}{a^\mu y^{\mu+\nu} 2^\nu} \int_0^\infty dt e^{-t} t^{\mu+\nu-1} = \frac{\Gamma(\mu + \nu)}{a^\mu 2^\nu y^{\mu+\nu}}. \quad (\text{B.4})$$

Thus (B.2) becomes

$$(B.2) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\left(\nu - \frac{1}{2}\right)!} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + \nu)}{a^\mu 2^\nu} \int_1^\infty dy \frac{1}{y^{\mu+\nu}} (y^2 - 1)^{\nu - \frac{1}{2}}. \quad (\text{B.5})$$

Further we make a change of a variable such that

$$y = 1/\sqrt{t}, \quad (\text{B.6})$$

to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (B.5) &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\left(\nu - \frac{1}{2}\right)!} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + \nu)}{a^\mu 2^\nu} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dt t^{\frac{\mu-\nu}{2}-1} (1-t)^{\nu+\frac{1}{2}-1} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\left(\nu - \frac{1}{2}\right)!} \frac{\Gamma(\mu + \nu)}{a^\mu 2^{\nu+1}} B\left(\frac{\mu - \nu}{2}, \frac{\mu + \nu}{2}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{a^\mu 2^{\nu+1}} \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu - \nu}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu + \nu}{2}\right) \frac{\Gamma(\mu + \nu)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\mu+\nu}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu+\nu}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right)}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.7})$$

where we have used the integral expression of the Beta function:

$$B(p, q) = \int_0^1 dt t^{p-1} (1-t)^{q-1}, \quad (\text{B.8})$$

and the relation:

$$B(p, q) = \frac{\Gamma(p)\Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q)} . \quad (\text{B.9})$$

By the formula:

$$z! \left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right)! = 2^{-2z-1} \sqrt{\pi} (2z+1)! , \quad (\text{B.10})$$

the product of the Gamma functions is written as

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{\mu+\nu}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{\mu+\nu}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right) = 2^{-(\mu+\nu)+1} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(\mu+\nu) . \quad (\text{B.11})$$

Thus (B.7) becomes

$$(B.7) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2}{a}\right)^\mu \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu-\nu}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{\mu+\nu}{2}\right) , \quad (\text{B.12})$$

which is just the right-hand side of the formula.

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